1	2	3	4
19	Orissa	25·00	100·00
20	Punjab	..	20·00
21	Sikkim	..	3·00
22	Tamil Nadu	40·00	33·00
23	Tripura	17·92	10·00
24	Rajasthan	57·91	35·00
25	Uttar Pradesh	97·65	58·00
26	West Bengal	78·34	180·00
	TOTAL	1000·16**	996·40
			253·60*
			1250·00

* Centres ai\. to b- identified.

** inclusive of spillover wiikv

Sale of Rice without Payment of levy in Maharashtra

1528. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Govern ment have received a memorandum from the All India Paddy Growers Farm Labour Save Committee for a CBI inquiry into the alleged sale of rice by mill owners in the Open mar ket without paying the levy in Maha rashtra; and if so the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): Yes, Sir, The representation has been sent to the Government of Maharashtra as it is the responsibility of the State Govern-ment to implement its levy orders.

Buffer Stock of Foodgrains

1529. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEE NA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) what is the extent of shortage of foodgrains grainwise as compared to the levels prescribed under the Buffer Stocking Policy;

(b) what is the quantum of minimum stocks required to be maintained under the policy;

(c) the reasons for the shortfall;

(d) the extent of impact the shortfall is likely to have on the Public Distribution System; and

(e) the steps being taken to make good. the shortfall?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c) The total minimum stocks required to be maintained by the public agencies on different dates in a year as per the buffer stocking policy adopted by the-Government are as under: —